

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1 (currently amended): A method for visually organizing collections of annotated Web-based documents, comprising the steps of:

(a) receiving a plurality of annotated documents, each of the annotated documents including a Web-based document associated with corresponding annotation data;

(b) including values of at least one attributes of the annotation data for each of the plurality of annotated documents in at least one searchable annotation database~~index~~, ~~wherein the attributes are not user-definable~~;

(c) searching the values of the at least one attribute in the at least one annotation database for at least one of the attributes in the at least one searchable index to according to search criteria;

(d) obtaining a set of annotated documents that is a subset of the plurality of annotated documents based on a result of said searching step; and

~~(d)~~(e) displaying a thumbnail image for at least one annotated document in the obtained set of annotated documents.

2 (currently amended): The method according to claim 1, wherein the at least one attributes includes at least one of a time and date of an annotation event and an author of the annotated document.

3 (canceled)

4 (currently amended): The method according to claim 1, wherein the at least one attributes includes ~~at least~~ a Website associated with the annotated document.

5 (previously presented): The method according to claim 1, wherein the obtained set of annotated documents includes at least two documents and a thumbnail image is displayed for each annotated document in the obtained set of annotated documents.

6 (canceled)

7 (currently amended): One or more tangible computer readable media storing computer executable instructions which, when executed, cause a computer to perform at least the following steps:

(a) receiving a plurality of annotated documents, each of the annotated documents including a Web-based document associated with corresponding annotation data;

(b) including values of at least one attributes of the annotation data for each of the plurality of annotated documents in at least one searchable annotation database index, ~~wherein the attributes are not user definable~~;

(c) searching the values of the at least one attribute in the at least one annotation database according to search criteria; ~~for at least one of the attributes in the at least one searchable index to~~

(d) obtaining a set of annotated documents that is a subset of the plurality of annotated documents based on a result of said searching step; and

(d)(e) displaying a thumbnail image for at least one annotated document in the obtained set of annotated documents.

8 (currently amended): The computer readable media of claim 7, wherein the ~~set of annotated documents is obtained by searching~~ search criteria includes at least one of a time and date of an annotation event and an author of ~~the an~~ annotated document ~~in the at least one searchable index~~.

9 (canceled)

10 (currently amended): The computer readable media of claim 7, wherein the ~~set of annotated documents is obtained by searching~~ search criteria includes at least a Website associated with ~~the an~~ annotated document ~~in the at least one searchable index~~.

11 (previously presented): The computer readable media of claim 7, wherein the obtained set of annotated documents includes at least two documents and a thumbnail image is displayed for each annotated document in the obtained set of annotated documents.

12 (canceled)

13 (new): The method according to claim 1, wherein said search criteria is inputted by a user.

14 (new): The computer readable media of claim 7, wherein said search criteria is inputted by a user.